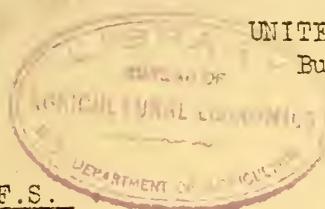


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THE BRITISH APPLE MARKET

There was little change in the prices paid for barreled apples on the Liverpool auction Wednesday, November 11, compared with last week, according to a cable from Fred A. Motz, Fruit Specialist in Europe for the Foreign Service of the Department of Agriculture. Supplies were liberal, amounting to 68,000 barrels of which 34,000 were offered at the auction. American barreled apples were heavy and consisted mostly of Virginia stock. The condition of the fruit was good, with barrels mostly tight. There was a moderate inquiry for barreled stocks. Boxed apple supplies were light and in good condition. Demand was moderate. Boxed Oregon Newtowns sold at higher prices than last week.

Prices paid at London for barreled apples were generally below last week's prices but still above those ruling at Liverpool. Supplies of barreled apples, which consisted mostly of American apples, were moderate. The condition of the fruit was generally good. Demand was active on high grade fruit. Boxed apple prices showed some advance over last week. Boxed pears also were higher than last week.

Shipments of American apples to France have been much greater than last year. These heavy shipments have over-stocked the markets with small and poorly colored apples. Only large, well-colored apples are wanted on the French market; others are impossible to move at satisfactory prices. Earlier in the season it was hoped that auction sales would be inaugurated at Havre but they have failed to materialize. French importers are of the opinion that the duty on apples is not likely to be increased despite the agitation of local growers. The Antwerp and Rotterdam markets require only well-colored No. 1 fruit since there are ample supplies of home-grown fruit on those markets which will probably hold out until January. Heavy supplies of apples are expected to arrive in the United Kingdom next week. Chartered ships from American ports have been arriving with some of their barreled apple cargo stowed on end which has resulted in heavy breakage. Canadian chartered boats which have stowed all barrels on the bilge are landing their fruit in perfect condition.

Arrivals of fruit in the United Kingdom this week ended Tuesday: Apples, 160,000 barrels, 151,400 boxes, 2,100 baskets from the United States and Canada; pears, 30,000 boxes from the United States; grapes, 77,000 barrels from Spain and 600 packages from California. Shipments expected during the next week: Apples, 265,000 barrels, 74,500 boxes, 2,100 baskets from the United States and Canada; pears, 23,000 boxes from the United States; and grapes, 1,000 packages from California. The following quotations have been converted from sterling to dollars at the prevailing rates of exchange. On November 12, 1930, the rate was \$4.86 to the pound; November 4, 1931, \$3.75, and November 11, 1931, \$3.80.

Prices paid for American fruit at Liverpool and London

Variety, grade and origin	<u>BARRELS:</u>	Liverpool		London	
		1930	1931	1931	1931
		November 12	November 4	November 11	November 11
<u>APPLES</u>					
York Imperial, Va.					
U.S. No. 1, 2 inch.....	5.72-6.08		3.56	3.41-3.79	3.98-4.36
U.S. No. 1, 2½ inch.....	6.20-6.81		3.84-4.22	3.89-4.27	4.17-4.55
U.S. No. 1, 2½ inch.....	6.33-6.45		3.94-4.03	3.79-3.89	4.27-4.65
Winesap, Va.					
U.S. No. 1, 2 inch.....	5.35-5.60		4.40-4.68	4.46-4.65	4.65-5.02
U.S. No. 1, 2¼ inch.....	5.72-5.96		4.68-5.25	4.46-4.83	4.65-5.02
U.S. No. 1, 2½ inch.....	-		4.68-4.87	4.74-5.12	4.55-4.93
Stayman, Va.					
U.S. No. 1, 2½ inch.....	5.72-5.96		-	3.79-4.17	4.08-4.46
U.S. No. 1, 2½ inch.....	5.72-5.96		3.84-4.22	3.79-3.98	4.17-4.55
U.S. No. 1, 2¾ inch.....	-		-	3.41	-
Ben Davis, Va.					
U.S. No. 1, 2¼ inch.....	5.47-5.60		3.65-3.94	3.89	-
Black Twig, Va.					
U.S. No. 1, 2½ inch.....	-		4.31-4.68 a/	3.98-4.08	3.98-4.36
U.S. No. 1, 2½ inch.....	-		-	3.98-4.17	-
Rome Beauty, Va.					
U.S. No. 1, 2½ inch.....	5.84-6.33		-	-	4.36
	<u>BOXES:</u>				
Newtown, California					
Fancy 150/175.....	-		2.25-2.30	-	2.04-2.09
Fancy 188/smaller.....	-		2.16	-	2.09-2.28
Newtown, Oregon					
Extra Fancy 150/175.....	3.41-3.47		2.67-2.81	2.84-3.03	-
Extra Fancy 188/smaller.....	-		2.25-2.44	2.56-2.65	-
Fancy 150/175.....	-		2.48-2.72	2.70-2.84	-
Fancy 188/smaller.....	2.55-2.68		2.16-2.34	2.46-2.61	-
Jonathan, Wash.					
Extra Fancy 150/175.....	-		2.25 a/	-	2.28-2.46
Extra Fancy 188/smaller.....	-		2.06-2.25 a/	-	2.46
Winesap, Md.					
Comb. Extra Fancy 138/larger	-		-	1.99	-
Comb. Extra Fancy and Fancy					
138/163.....	-		-	2.28	-
Comb. Extra Fancy and Fancy					
150/175.....	-		-	2.65	-
<u>PEARS</u>	<u>BOXES:</u>				
Comice, Calif.					
Fancy, all counts.....	-		3.75-3.94 a/	-	4.17-4.27
Fancy, half boxes.....	-		1.87-2.06 a/	-	2.28-2.46
Winter Nelis, Calif.					
Fancy 135/150.....	-		2.81-3.19 b/	-	3.23-3.32
Fancy 165/180.....	-		2.81-3.19 b/	-	3.23-3.32
Winter Nelis, Wash.					
Extra Fancy 100/120.....	2.80-3.16 c/		2.44-2.81 b/	-	2.65-2.75
Extra Fancy 135/150.....	2.80-3.16 c/		2.44-2.81 b/	-	2.84-3.03
Extra Fancy 165/180.....	2.80-3.16 c/		2.44-2.81 b/	-	3.03
Bosc, Oregon					
Extra Fancy 135/150.....	-		-	-	3.41
Extra Fancy 135/150.....	-		-	-	3.13-3.41
Extra Fancy 165/180.....	-		-	-	2.65-2.94
Fancy 135/150.....	-		-	-	3.23
Fancy 165/180.....	-		-	-	3.03-3.23
Fancy 193/smaller.....	-		-	-	2.65-2.84

NOTE: Quotations are for fruit in good condition unless otherwise noted.

a/ London. b/ London, all counts. c/ All counts.